

Vacancy Announcement

Announcement #	438-09049	Position	Psychologist Technician		
PayPlan	GS	Series	0181		
TargetGrade	9	Target PD		Pay Range	\$46,625 - \$60,612
Dev Grade		Dev PD		Dev Pay Range	
1st Dev Grade		1st Dev PD		1st Dev Pay Range	
Opens	04/08/09	Closes	04/22/09	Openings	1
Tour of Duty, etc	Part Time; 20 hours/week				
Special Comments	The procedures outlined in AFGE Master Agreement, Article 56 will be followed.				
Service	Mental Health				
Section					
Area/Consideration	VA Employees, Veterans, Status Eligibles				
Duty Site	Sioux Falls, SD				
Major Duties	Major duties include but are not limited to: The incumbent provides technical expertise in the administration and scoring of a wide range of individually-administered neuropsychological and psychological tests, behavioral rating scales, and other assessment techniques to assure prompt response to evaluative referral requests and to assist in determining neurobehavioral and psychiatric status. The incumbent accurately and effectively perform psychological diagnostic interviewing and basic counseling services; and performs specific research-related activities, including participate recruitment, data gathering and analysis, and statistical analysis to support departmental clinical research activities. The incumbent is responsible for the accuracy and validity of all obtained test results and interacts with veterans with a wide variety of medical, neurological, and psychiatric diagnoses.				
Time In Grade					
Qualifications	<p>GS-9: Applicant must possess 1 year specialized experience equivalent to at least next lower grade level (GS-8).</p> <p>Specialized Experience: Experience that equipped the applicant with the particular knowledge, skills, and abilities (KSA's) to perform successfully the duties of the position, and that is typically in or related to the position to be filled. To be creditable, specialized experience must have been equivalent to at least the next lower grade level.</p>				
Rating Factors	<p>KSAO#1: Knowledge of and ability to administer and interpret various standardized psychological tests used for the diagnosis and treatment of patients.</p> <p>KSAO#2: Ability to read, interpret, and apply various rules, regulations, guidelines, and procedures related to the position.</p> <p>KSAO#3: Ability to score and record results of psychological testing and provide interpretations on appropriateness and adequacy of tests for specific patients.</p> <p>KSAO#4: Ability to communicate orally and in writing in dealing with individuals from a variety of backgrounds.</p>				

Application Process

Applicants must submit an application package consisting of:

- OF 612, "Optional Application for Federal Employment" and/or resume
- OF 306, "Declaration for Federal Employment"
- Copy of latest performance evaluation
- Copy of most recent SF 50, Notification of Personnel Action
- Rating Factor (KSA) narrative. Failure to provide this information will deem the applicant ineligible for consideration for the position
- If a veteran: Veterans Preference eligible's, including VRA 30% disabled, must submit a copy of ALL DD-214's and a SF-15 (if 10 point preference is claimed) with current (dated within the last 12 months) proof of a service-connected disability.
- References: Provide name, address, phone and relationship for three to four references

NOTE: These forms may be obtained through the Human Resources Office or from www.sioxfalls.va.gov.

Application packages are to be submitted to and received in the VA Medical Center, Human Resources Office (05), 2501 W. 22nd St., Sioux Falls, SD 57105 not later than 04/22/2009.

If you have questions, please contact Patricia Hinzman, HR Specialist, at 605-336-3230 Ext. 5916 or Patricia.Hinzman@va.gov

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT: All applicants will receive consideration without discrimination for such reasons as race, color, religion, national origin, sex, lawful political affiliation, marital status, non-disqualifying physical or mental handicap, age, or membership or non-membership in a labor organization.

This agency provides reasonable accommodations to applicants with disabilities. If you need a reasonable accommodation for any part of the application and/or hiring process, please notify the agency. A decision for granting reasonable accommodation will be on a case-by-case basis.

SECURITY: Appointments in the Federal Government are subject to a criminal background investigation.

CONDITION OF EMPLOYMENT: Direct Deposit/Electronic Funds Transfer (DD/EFT) has been established for new civilian employees and employees competitively selected for promotions and reassignments. Employees meeting this definition must enroll in DD/EFT or request a waiver of enrollment. Information will be provided when the job offer is made and during in-processing.